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Jim:

Attached find follow-up questions submitted by JEC's Richard Kaufman. Please pass answers to me via [redacted] for transmittal to Hill.

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As promised, the following is list of requests made by Sen. Proxmire during the course of the briefing. My recollection is that Mr. Bowen had no problem providing any of the material to the Committee:

(1) Sanitized version of the statement on an ASAP / PRIORITY basis for public release. You will recall Mr. Kaufman's advice that the unclassified version would be an immediate request. The other items would take less of a priority in terms of our response.

(2) Mortality Rates -

(a) why is mortality rate for males aged 25-45 so high?

(b) how does this compare with U.S. rates?

(c) does this apply to females, as well?

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(3) Andropov:

- (a) his role in Hungary;
- (b) what lessons he may have learned as a result of that experience;
- (c) copies of any statements Andropov has made that are indicative of what economic policy he may espouse.

(4) for Senator Symms: Any evidence of Soviets buying large amounts of Silver?

(5) Grain Production: Is it true that the Soviets produced more grain in 1913 per capita than now?

(6) Grain Production:

- (a) Soviet grain import requirements
- (b) from whom bought
- (c) percentages
- (d) why so little bought from U.S.?

Thanks for your assistance

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